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House of Representatives

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Town of Normal Streets Upgrades to Increase Safety in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Normal, located at 11 Uptown Circle, Normal, IL 61761. The funding would be used to impose a road diet on Vernon Avenue in an effort to create safer conditions for drivers and pedestrians. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would provide safer, multimodal access from a low-mod Census Tract to an elementary school, a regional shopping district and a key employment corridor.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program: 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Eric Sorensen

Member of Congress